

MARINE CORPS EMERGENCY ACTIONS CENTER
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SUMMARY OF ITEMS OF SIGNIFICANT INTEREST

PERIOD 100701 - 110700 NOVEMBER 1962

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1. CARIBBEAN

a. IN A MESSAGE TO COMPHIBLANT, CG FMFLANT STATES THAT AN URGENT REQUIREMENT EXISTS FOR A FULL-SCALE INTEGRATED REHEARSAL OF OPLAN 316 BY LANDING GROUP WEST. THE REHEARSAL SHOULD INCLUDE SHIP-TO-SHORE MOVEMENT BY SURFACE AND HELO AND MANEUVER ASHORE BY ASSAULT ELEMENTS. ONSLOW BEACH IS THE RECOMMENDED LOCATION. THE 7-DAY RESPONSE REQUIREMENT CAN BE MET USING THE ONSLOW SITE. (2-DAY RECOVERY PLUS 5 DAYS STEAMING).

RLT AND BLT - LEVEL REHEARSALS FOR SHIP-TO-SHORE MOVEMENT ARE RECOMMENDED FOR CUMBERLAND ISLAND, GEORGIA OR SOME SIMILAR LOCATION IN THE MAYPORT AREA.

THE ONSLOW EXERCISE DESCRIBED ABOVE IS RECOMMENDED FOR LANDING GROUP WEST, COMPLETE WITH BLT 1/6 IN OKINAWA AND THETIS BAY, NO LATER THAN 16 NOVEMBER.

THE MESSAGE FURTHER DESCRIBES PROPOSED PLANS FOR MAINTENANCE OF A COMBAT READINESS POSTURE FOR LANDING GROUP WEST UNTIL 20 DECEMBER.

CG FMFLANT 092255Z (S)

b. CG FMFPAC HAS SUBMITTED TO CMC HIS PLANS FOR CANCELLATION OF MEFLEX "STEEL GATE" AND THE SUBSTITUTION OF A 5TH MEBLEX TO BE CONDUCTED AT CAMP PENDLETON IN MID-MARCH.

CG FMFPAC 102203Z (S)

CG FMFPAC 102200Z (S)

EXCLUDED FROM AUTOMATIC
REGRADING, DOD DIR 5200.10
DOES NOT APPLY

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c. CG FMFLANT HAS DIRECTED THAT VMA-121 (MAG-15) CHOP TO CG 2D MAW AND PREPARE TO DEPLOY TO THE EAST COAST ON ABOUT 12 NOVEMBER. CG 2D MAW IS DIRECTED TO ASSUME OPCON AND DEPLOY THE SQUADRON TO AN APPROPRIATE EAST COAST BASE. VMA-121 REPORTED TO 2D MAW FOR OPCON AS OF 102305Z.

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CINCLANTFLT HAS REQUESTED THAT CINCAFLANT CHOP CVG-10 AT JACKSONVILLE TO COMNAVAIRLANT EFFECTIVE 15 NOVEMBER. CG FMFLANT WILL DESIGNATE A VMA TO CHOP TO CINCAFLANT TO REPLACE CVG-10. CINCLANTFLT HAS DIRECTED THAT CG FMFLANT DEPLOY A VMA TO A SELECTED FLORIDA BASE AND CHOP IN POSITION TO CINCAFLANT EFFECTIVE 15 NOVEMBER.

(EAC NOTE: CG 2D MAW HAS NOT SPECIFIED THAT VMA-121 WILL BE THE CINCAFLANT SQUADRON.)

CINCLANTFLT 082124Z (C)
CINCLANTFLT 082126Z (C)
CG FMFLANT 101810Z (S)
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VMA-121 102305Z (S)

d. IN A MESSAGE TO CINCLANT, CG FMFLANT STATES THAT AN URGENT REQUIREMENT EXISTS FOR DETAILED INFORMATION RELATIVE TO THE FOLLOWING EQUIPMENT REPORTEDLY IN USE BY CUBAN FORCES:

- a. (1) ANTI-TANK AND PERSONNEL MINES (TYPE AND QUANTITY).
- b. (2) FROG ROCKETS (QUANTITY AND TECHNICAL DATA).
- c. (3) SOVIET FLAME TANKS (QUANTITY).
- d. (4) SMOKE AND CHEMICAL EQUIPMENT (QUANTITY AND SOVIET TACTICS).

CG FMFLANT 100055Z (S)

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e. CINCLANTFLT HAS ASSIGNED COMMANDER SECOND FLEET IN FLAGSHIP NEWPORT NEWS (CA-148) AS COMMANDER NAVAL TASK FORCE (TF-123) IMMEDIATELY FOR PLANNING AND FOR ASSUMING COMMAND WHEN DIRECTED ABOUT 24 NOVEMBER. RESPONSIBILITIES ARE AS PRESCRIBED IN CINCLANT OPLAN 316-62.

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CINCLANTFLT 101558Z (TS)

f. IN A MESSAGE TO CINCLANTFLT, CG II MEF REQUESTS SUBMARINE RECONNAISSANCE (TO INCLUDE UDT RECON AND PERISCOPE PHOTOGRAPHY) OF SIX (6) DESCRIBED CUBAN BEACH AREAS. THE RECONNAISSANCE IS TO PROVIDE URGENTLY NEEDED INTELLIGENCE RELATIVE TO BEACH GRADIENTS, LATEST PROFILES AND UNDERWATER OBSTACLES.

CG II MEF 102012Z (TS)

g. CG FMFPAC HAS REQUESTED THAT MULTIPLE ADDRESSEES SUBMIT BY 1 DECEMBER, A BRIEF NARRATIVE STATEMENT OF PROBLEM AREAS ENCOUNTERED DURING THE RECENT WITHDRAWAL OF STORM STOCKS TO SUPPORT 5TH MEB DEPLOYMENT. COMMENTS/RECOMMENDATIONS ARE REQUESTED.

CG FMFPAC 100001Z (C)

2. ASIA

a. CINCPAC HAS ADVISED CG FMFPAC THAT INACTIVATION OF JTF-116 IS CONTEMPLATED ABOUT 30 NOVEMBER. IT IS REQUESTED THAT THE TAD ASSIGNMENT OF MGEN WELLER BE EXTENDED UNTIL JTF-116 IS WITHDRAWN AND UNTIL ANY NECESSARY ORIENTATION OF A SUCCESSOR PLANNING ELEMENT OF DEPUTY COMUSMAC THAI STAFF IS COMPLETED.

CG FMFPAC REQUESTS THAT CMC AUTHORIZE EXTENSION OF TAD ASSIGNMENTS IN THE CASE OF MGEN WELLER AND COL GEORGE DAWES. THE SIX-MONTH TAD PERIOD WILL EXPIRE 15 NOVEMBER.

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CG FMFPAC ALSO ADVISES THAT CINCPAC HAS PROPOSED THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A PLANS DIVISION FOR DEPUTY COMUSMAC THAI AND HAS RECOMMENDED COL DAWES, A MARINE MAJOR AND TWO ENLISTED PERSONNEL TO SERVE ON THIS STAFF. THESE MARINE CORPS PERSONNEL ARE CURRENTLY TAD WITH THE JTF-116 STAFF.

THE FOUR MARINE PERSONNEL HAVE VOLUNTEERED FOR PCS (WITH DEPENDENTS) TO THAILAND. CG FMFPAC WILL REQUEST THAT THE PERSONNEL BE CONSIDERED FOR THIS PCS IF AND WHEN THE JCS APPROVE THE CINCPAC PROPOSAL TO ESTABLISH THE PLANS DIVISION.

CG FMFPAC 101247Z (S)
CG FMFPAC 100408Z (S)
CINCPAC 090058Z (S)

b. THE JCS HAVE PROMULGATED THE SECDEF-APPROVED COMMAND ARRANGEMENTS FOR COMUSMAC THAI AND COMUSMACV.

JCS 100104Z (S)

3. MARINE CORPS

a. BGEN STEWART REPORTS TO CG AIRFMFPAC THAT THE 2D LAAM BATTALION IS COMBAT READY AS OF 10 NOVEMBER.

DEP CG AIRFMFPAC 101950Z (C)

b. THE U. S. ARMY ELECTRONICS MATERIALS AGENCY HAS ADVISED ALL SERVICES RELATIVE TO POTENTIALLY DANGEROUS AND DEFECTIVE MERCURY BATTERIES WHICH ARE IN THE SUPPLY SYSTEM.

ALL SERVICES ARE TO REPORT QUANTITY AND LOCATION OF DESCRIBED TYPE BATTERIES.

CG USAELEC MATAGCY PHILA
101429Z (U)

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c. COMMANDER GROUND FORCES, GUANTANAMC HAS SUBMITTED TO CMC A REPORT OF AN INFORMAL INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED AS THE RESULT OF AN ACCIDENTAL SHOOTING ON 7 NOVEMBER AT GUANTANAMO INVOLVING 3 MARINE SENTRIES. A FORMAL INVESTIGATION IS BEING CONDUCTED.

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4. DEFCONS

a. NO CHANGE.

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CURRENT MARINE CORPS DEPLOYMENTS

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LANDING GROUP WEST (TG 129.1)

VGEN WIESEMAN

CG 2D MarDiv aboard MT McKINLEY - MAYPORT

VGEN TOMPKINS

ADC 2D MarDiv aboard FRANCIS MARION - MAYPORT

BLT 2/6

Aboard PHIBRON-6

MOREHEAD CITY

BLT 3/6

Aboard PHIBRON-8

CHARLESTON

BLT 2/8

Aboard PHIBRON-2

MAYPORT

BLT 3/8

Aboard PHIBRON-10

MAYPORT

BLT 3/2

Aboard PHIBRON-12

MAYPORT

BLT 1/6

Aboard OKINAWA (LPH-3)

~~150 miles NE NASCAB~~ MAYPORT

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LANDING GROUP WEST AVIATION (TG 129.3)

VGEN COURSEY

AWC 2D MAW aboard MT McKINLEY - MAYPORT

PROV MAG-26

HMM-264

Aboard OKINAWA (LPH-3)

MAYPORT

HMM-461

Aboard OKINAWA (LPH-3)

MAYPORT

Det VMO-1

Aboard OKINAWA (LPH-3)

MAYPORT

HMM-261

Aboard THETIS BAY (LPH-6) MAYPORT

HMM-263

Aboard BOXER (LPH-4)

MAYPORT

MAG-14

KEY WEST (Presently under OPCON CINCAFLANT and 831st AIR DIVISION)

VMA-242

VMA-533

VMA-324

VMF(AW)-122

Det VMCI-2

Det VMCI-2

CECIL FIELD, JACKSONVILLE - OPCON COMNAVAIRLANT

3D LAAM BN (-)

MCAS CHERRY POINT

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GUANTANAMO

BGEN COLLINS

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LEEWARD SIDE

BLT 2/2

Hq MAG-32

Det VMA-331

Det H&MS-26

Det VMF-333

WINDWARD SIDE

BLT 2/1

"C" Btry 3d LAAM Bn

BLT 1/8

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VMA-225

Aboard USS ENTERPRISE 65 miles NW JAMAICA

ROOSEVELT ROADS, P. R.

Det HQ MAG-32

VMA-331 (-)

VMF-333 (-)

5TH ME3 (TG 129.2) Aboard PHIBGRU-3 - Arrived posit 100 miles South of JAMAICA at 091330Z

BGEN FAIRBOURN

BLT 1/1

BLT 3/1

BLT 1/7

BLT 3/7

HMM-361 Aboard IWC JIMA (LPH-2)

Det VMO-6 Aboard IWC JIMA (LPH-2)

VMA-121 Reported for CPCON 2D MAW 102305Z Nov. Will deploy to designated East Coast base about 12 November.

VMA-223 Chopped in place on West Coast to CINCLANTFLT and CG FMFLANT for possible move to LANTCOM

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LTCOL GRAHAM

BLT 1/2

Aboard PHIBRON-4 in MEDITERRANEAN

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